GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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DISTANCE EDUCATION COUNCIL IGNOU
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Distance Education Council IGNOU is a statutory body of the Government of India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of courses/programmes of the various universities approved by the Distance Education Council since 1995;

(d) the list of universities/institutions whose B.Ed, course has been approved by Distance Education Council, IGNOU;

(e) the number of intake of students of Open Distance Learning System of the approved universities including IGNOU, university-wise;

(f) whether there is any proposal to make Distance Education Council as an independent body to look after the Open Distance Learning (ODL) system of the country; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) & (b) The Distance Education Council is a statutory authority created under Indira Gandhi National Open University Act, 1985 to monitor, coordinate and strengthen the standards of education offered through Open Distance Learning system. Statute 28 of IGNOU Act, 1985, which deals with Distance Education Council, was made by the Board of Management of IGNOU at its meeting held in the month of July, 1991 end it also received approval of the Visitor.

(c) The number of courses/programmes of various Universities approved by Distance Education Council since 1995 is given in the Annexure.

(d) & (e) The Universities/institutions whose B.Ed, course has been approved by Distance Education Council (DEC) alongwith intake of students is as under:-

Name of the University Intake

i) Indira Gandhi National Open 16782
University, New Delhi.

ii) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar 500
Open University, Hyderabad.

iii) Tamil Nadu Open 500
University, Chennai.

iv) UP Rajarshi Tandon 500
Open University, Allahabad.

v) M.P. BhojOpen 500
University, Bhopal.

vi) Sri Padmavati Manila 500
Vishwavidyalayam, Tirupati.

vii) Sri Venkateshwara University, 500
Tirupati.

viii) Panjab University, Cliandigarh. 500
ix) Gauhati University, Guwahati. 500
x) Kumaun University, Nainital 0

(f) & (g) The Government has not taken any decision in this regard.